

Acknowledgment of Paternity

State of Louisiana

Parish of _____

BEFORE ME, Notary, appeared:

Full Name of Father (Required)

Social Security Number (Required)

Street (Required)

City and State (Required)

Zip Code (Required)

who declared, under oath, that he is the natural father of the child born to

_____ and that he desires to acknowledge the child:

Full Name of Mother (Required)

Full Name of Child (Required)

Birth Date (Required)

Birth Place (Required)

Appearer further declares that he was born in _____

(Optional)

on _____ and that his race is _____

Birth date (Required)

(Optional)

I swear or affirm that I have read, or have had read to me the foregoing, that the information above is true and correct, and that the child will be recognized as my legal heir. I make this acknowledgment of my own free will and accord.

Signature of Father (Required)

The above witnessed by:

Typed or Printed Name of Witness (Required)

Signature of Witness (Required)

Typed or Printed Name of Witness (Required)

Signature of Witness (Required)

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME this _____ day of _____,
at _____, Louisiana.

Typed or Printed Name, Title and Notary ID No. (Required)

Notary Signature

Appearing before me,

Full Name of Mother (Required)

Social Security Number (Required)

Street (Required)

City, State (Required)

Zip Code (Required)

who was born in _____

on _____

whose race is _____

(Optional)

Birth date (Required)

(Optional)

declares and affirms that Appearer is the natural father of the above name child born to her.

Signature of Mother (when present)

To be completed only when the mother's signature is available.

The above witnessed by

Typed or Printed Name of Witness (Required)

Signature of Witness (Required)

Typed or Printed Name of Witness (Required)

Signature of Witness (Required)

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME this _____ day of _____,
at _____, Louisiana.

Typed or Printed Name, Title and Notary ID No.

Notary Signature

In accordance with Section 466(a)(13) of the Social Security Act (42) U.S.C. 666(a)(13), disclosure of social security numbers is required. The information may be used for purposes of establishing paternity and establishing, modifying, and enforcing support obligations. Social security numbers may also be released for reasons directly connected to programs within the Department of Social Services.

**Louisiana Department of Social Services
Office of Family Support
Support Enforcement Services**

**Acknowledgment Of Paternity
Rights and Responsibilities**

Prior to signing the Acknowledgment of Paternity, both parties must be provided the following information, orally and in writing:

- Either party has the right to request a genetic test to determine if the alleged father is the biological father of the child.
- The alleged father has the right to consult an attorney before signing an acknowledgment of paternity.
- If the alleged father does not acknowledge the child, the mother has the right to file a paternity suit to establish paternity.
- After the alleged father signs an acknowledgment of paternity, he has the right to pursue visitation with the child and the right to petition for custody.
- Once an acknowledgment of paternity is signed, the father may be obligated to provide support for the child.
- Once an acknowledgment of paternity is signed, the child will have inheritance rights and any rights afforded children born in wedlock.
- A party who executed an authentic act of acknowledgment may revoke the act, without cause, before the earlier of the following:
 - Sixty days after the signing of the act, in a court hearing for the limited purpose of revoking the acknowledgment.
 - A court hearing relating to the child, including a child support proceeding, in which the father is involved.

Thereafter, the acknowledgment of paternity may be voided only upon proof, by clear and convincing evidence, that such act was induced by fraud, duress, or material mistake of fact, or error, or that the person who executed an authentic act of acknowledgement is not the biological father. During these proceedings, except for good cause shown, the court shall not suspend any legal responsibilities or obligations, including a support obligation of the party or parties.

- All parties to the action have other rights and responsibilities which may be afforded by law now or in the future.

I have received written and oral notice of the legal rights and responsibilities of acknowledging paternity, and I understand this notice.

Signature of Father

Date

Signature of Mother

Date